



LINCOLN FIRE & RESCUE  
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July 1, 2013

EMSOA Board  
Attention EMSOA Board President  
2300 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street  
Lincoln, NE 68502

Dear President,

Lincoln Fire & Rescue is requesting that our rates be adjusted upwards on September 1, 2013, as outlined in the table below. The current rates have been in effect since Sept 1, 2012. The purpose for the rate adjustment results from the increased cost of doing business during this time period. The key inflationary indexes have increased as follows (see attached tables):

- **Consumer Price Index – All Urban Consumers:** The overall CPI-U has increased 1.5 percent for 12 month period from April 2012 ending in March 2013.
- **Consumer Price Index – Medical Component:** Medical Care Services of the CPI has increased 3.9 percent during the same time period.

The following is a list of the proposed rates:

|                              | Proposed | Old Rates | % Change |
|------------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| BLS Non-Emergency            | 516.00   | 499.00    | 3.4%     |
| BLS Emergency                | 695.00   | 672.00    | 3.4%     |
| ALS 1 Emergency              | 862.00   | 833.00    | 3.5%     |
| ALS 2 Emergency              | 916.00   | 885.00    | 3.5%     |
| ALS Non-Emergency            | 823.00   | 796.00    | 3.4%     |
| Special Medical Service Team | 917.00   | 886.00    | 3.5%     |
| ALS Paramedic Intercept      | 414.00   | 400.00    | 3.5%     |
| ALS Treat & Release          | 414.00   | 400.00    | 3.5%     |
| Team Transport               | 122.00   | 118.00    | 3.4%     |
| Mileage                      | 15.60    | 15.10     | 3.3%     |
| Standbys:                    |          |           |          |
| Fire Apparatus               | 161.00   | 156.00    | 3.2%     |
| Paramedic Ambulance Team     | 104.00   | 101.00    | 3.0%     |
| Bike*Paramedic Team          | 79.00    | 77.00     | 2.6%     |
| Paramedic Event Team         | 79.00    | 77.00     | 2.6%     |
| Individual Standby           | 67.00    | 65.00     | 3.1%     |

Our intent is to have our benchmark annual adjustment be equal to or less than the overall CPI-U plus 2 percent. Attached you will find the Bureau of Labor Statistics CPI news release and LFR's rate survey. If you need additional information, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Sherrie Meints

cc: John Huff, Fire Chief  
Roger Bonin, Division Chief of EMS and Training  
Pat Borer, Assistant Chief  
Steve Hubka, Finance Director





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August 2, 2013

Lincoln Fire and Rescue  
Attn: Sherrie Meints  
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Dear Sherrie:

The Emergency Medical Services Oversight Authority (EMSOA) Board has voted on the recommendation to the City Council for approval of the Lincoln Fire and Rescue (LFR) rate increase.

The attached documents were provided by your organization and evaluated by the EMSOA Board members. Superior majority of the EMSOA Board recommends that the City Council approve the LFR rate increase.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Cordially,

April Rimpley  
President, EMSOA

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